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**RESPONSE**

Dear Sir or Madam:

This communication is responsive to the non-final Office Action, mailed July 14, 2003,  
regarding the above-mentioned patent Application.

The three-month shortened statutory period for response is set to expire on October 14, 2003. It is respectfully submitted that this response, filed on October 14, 2003, is timely filed within the shortened statutory period. However, if any extension of time is required in order for this paper to be timely filed, then such extension of time is hereby requested and the Commissioner is authorized to charge any extension of time fees to the Kagan Binder deposit account No. 50-1775 and thereafter notify us of the same.

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